

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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June 3, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADMIRALTY WAY WIDENING AND STATE ROUTE 90 CONNECTOR ROAD TO ADMIRALTY WAY ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to execute a Consultant Services Agreement with EDAW, Inc., to prepare an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement joint document for Admiralty Way Widening and State Route 90 Connector Road to Admiralty Way project for a total fee not to exceed \$1,366,711 from the Fourth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program funds.
- 2. Instruct the Director, or his designee, to notify EDWA, Inc., of the Board's action.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The recommended action would authorize Public Works to obtain environmental consultant services to prepare an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Admiralty Way Widening and State Route 90 (SR 90) Connector Road to Admiralty Way project. The Admiralty Way Widening project is located in an unincorporated area of Marina del Rey, which includes land owned by the County of

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Los Angeles and operated by the Department of Beaches and Harbors. The SR 90 Connector Road to Admiralty Way project is jurisdictionally shared with the County of Los Angeles and Caltrans. The purpose of the project is to provide a direct entrance into the Marina by realigning and extending SR 90 into Admiralty Way and, by doing so, obtain operational balance between Admiralty Way and Lincoln Boulevard.

In addition, Public Works proposes to widen Admiralty Way from Via Marina to Fiji Way to accommodate the SR 90 connector and comply with the Marina Local Coastal Program. The widening from Via Marina to Bali Way will add one lane in the northbound direction for a total of three northbound lanes and two southbound lanes. From Bali Way to Fiji Way, Admiralty Way will be widened to three lanes in each direction.

Along with the Admiralty Way widening and the SR 90 extension, the South Bay Bike Trail crosses Admiralty Way at the County Library. Public Works proposes to investigate and determine the best viable solution to safely route bike traffic through Admiralty Way without hindering traffic or public safety.

The proposed project also includes tree removal, right-of-way acquisition, and possible utility relocations. During construction, the contractor will be required to follow Public Works' standard specifications pertaining to project site maintenance and construction activities.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence because it enhances the quality of life for residents and businesses by improving roadway mobility and pedestrian safety.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund. Sufficient funds for the proposed agreement are available from the Fourth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program funds included in the Fiscal Year 2003-04 Road Fund budget. The total fee of \$1,366,711 includes the negotiated fee of \$1,188,444 with EDAW, Inc., plus a contingency of \$178,267 for unforeseen additional work with prior County approval.

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### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard Consultant Services Agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The agreement includes a clause for termination of services upon prior written notice and a renegotiation clause as directed by your Board. As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, EDAW, Inc., is willing to consider Greater Avenue for Independence participants for future employment.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

There is no environmental impact associated with the approval of this agreement. The appropriate environmental document will be completed prior to returning to your Board for project approval.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

On January 12, 2004, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals to 51 firms for consultant services for the project. In addition, the Request for Proposal was listed on the County's bid website. The bid webpage solicitation is included as Enclosure A. Four firms responded to the Request for Proposal. An Evaluation Committee, consisting of staffs from Beaches and Harbors, County Counsel, and Public Works evaluated the proposals. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding of the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of these proposals, EDAW, Inc., was chosen as the best qualified firm to perform the required services and negotiated a fee of \$1,188,444 for the requested services plus a contingency fee of \$178,267. Participation by Community Business Enterprises in the project is encouraged through Public Works' Community Business Enterprises Outreach Program and the requirement that consultants demonstrate their good faith efforts to utilize Community Business Enterprises. EDAW, Inc., is aware of Public Works' Community Business Enterprises Outreach Program and their proposed Community Business Enterprises participation is on file with Public Works.

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# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The project will not have a significant impact on current services or projects currently planned.

## **CONCLUSION**

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES **Director of Public Works** 

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Chief Administrative Office CC:

County Counsel

#### **ENCLOSURE A**

#### Bid Detail Information

Bid Number: RDC0013573

Bid Title: Request for Proposals–EIR/EIS (Joint Document) Services

Bid Type: Service
Department: Public Works

Commodity: CONSULTING SERVICES - ENVIRONMENTAL

Open Date: January 12, 2004

Closing Date: February 9, 2004, 5 p.m.

Bid Amount: N/A

Bid Download: Not Available

Bid Description: Public Works is requesting proposals from qualified firms to

provide Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement services for the Admiralty Way Widening and State Route 90 Connector Road to Admiralty Way project located in

Los Angeles County, California.

Requests for copies of the Request for Proposal should be sent to

the fax number or e-mail address provided below.

Proposals are due no later than 5 p.m., February 9, 2004.

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